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There is no doubt that the Rogue is world of warcrafts premier DPS dealer. The ability of the Rogue to get in, do some devastating damage and then quickly get out of situations makes it in my opinion, the most specialized character class in the world of warcraft. The Rogues limited armor and lack of self healing hardly hurts the Rogue when you take into consideration its' great damage dealing ability. When the Rogue swarms over an enemy with one of its attacks the foe has little chance of defending itself or counter attacking the Rogue. Being that the Rogue is so specialized at quick melee attacks it naturally has other limitations. Not to deter you from playing a Rogue, but the Rogue has no really effective long range attack capabilities leaving it out of the battle until it can get into the hand to hand range. Simply put, the Rogue though not being armored as well as say a warrior still spends most of its' time in the most dangerous of situations.

Some points to consider when choosing a Rogue race:

Don't take your Rogues race selection lightly, it has great bearing on the future of your Rogue. Many races are available to the Rogue, be sure to check them all out.

On the Alliance side:

The dwarves Find Treasure ability compliments the Rogues Lockpicking skill very nicely in certain situations. The dwarves Mace Specialization will help, providing you use of a mace. The dwarf races Stoneform gives the Rogue help against bleeds, diseases and poisons.

The gnome race can amplify the Rogues abilities with Escape Artist, and the Engineering specialization makes for many useful items to be used by the Rogue.

I don't find the humans to be much help to the Rogue, their Diplomacy and Every Man for Himself have little benefit to the Rogue and their Sword & Mace specialization is no big deal for the Rogue.

The Rogue will benefit from the night elves cloaking skill known as Shadowmeld and the Rogues ability to dodge will be increased by 1%.

On the Horde side:

The blood elf has Magic Resistance which the Rogue would not have otherwise and Arcane Torrent is quite handy to any class.

As a orc rogue, Hardness will bulk up your defenses which is a big deal to a Rogue and Blood Fury will improve your DPS even more.

Oddly enough the troll race makes for a pretty good Rogue. They have Regeneration for self healing, Da Voodoo Shuffle to helps to counter act crowd control and Berserker which will increase the rogues DPS.

The undead race allows you to heal yourself using Cannibalize and if you play in PVP, Will of the Forsaken will be very effective.

The Rogue starts out with Eviscerate, Throw and the Sinister Strike attack. Stealth is available to purchase.

Once you get your Rogue to level 4, Backstab should be your new attack of choice along with Sinister Strike and Throw. The Pick Pocket ability will be very helpful as well.

At level 6 be sure to raise Sinister Strike to rank 2 and consider using it along with the new Gouge attack. Continue to use Eviscerate primarily to finish off your enemies.

You can level up Eviscerate to level 2 when your Rogue reaches level 8 and to help you escape combat learn Evasion.

At level 10 you will have to start making some choices on which specialization you wish to pursue. Start checking out different skill tree's and see which ones work best for your style of play. Leveling up to level 16 or so you should have your specialization pretty much figured out, and be well on your way to being a skilled Rogue.

From this point on there is too much information to possibly mention in this article, just pay attention to changes in your Rogues abilities and try to focus on your preferred specialization.

Thanks and Happy Gaming!

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